

Agenda Item: 1

Date: May 4, 2021

Commission Action Date: May 11, 2021

TO: Arts & Culture Commission**FROM:** Neda Zayer, Assistant Community Development Director**SUBJECT:** General Plan Update**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Arts & Culture Commission receive a presentation and information on the General Plan Update and provide input and feedback.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

The General Plan is a high-level guiding document that sets the vision for the City and the goals and principles of how and where the City should grow and change. All the other plans, documents, and codes of the City should align with the General Plan and be a tool to implement its vision and goals. The City's current General Plan was adopted in 2005. State law encourages comprehensive General Plan updates every 15 years. As a result, the City Council authorized a contract with Raimi + Associates (R+A) on November 18, 2019 for a comprehensive General Plan Update (GPU) with an intended adoption date in early 2023. The GPU will include an update to the Local Coastal Program that has not been updated since 1989, and a Climate Action Plan.

The GPU officially launched on November 10, 2020 with a press release, website launch, and an online survey. A workshop was held with the City Council on November 16, 2020 to begin the official outreach efforts, receive early input from City Council. A progress update was also provided at the April 12, 2021 City Council meeting.

Staff and the Consultant Team are now attending various Commission and Committee meetings, including the Arts and Culture Commission, in the months of April and May to provide an overview of the GPU and receive input on their respective focus areas as they impact the General Plan Update.

Information will be provided at the meeting in the form of a presentation with discussion questions revolving around the presentation information and arts and culture as it relates to the General Plan. More information on the General Plan Update and efforts to date can be

found on the General Plan website: <https://www.planventura.com/>

Attachments for Review:

- [Attachment A: GPU Presentation](#)